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NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
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BAISNER, (Dr.) Weiah - BEISSNER  
[ ] inquiry concerning information on subject reportedly  
living with two other German engineers at #10 Dar El Cheffa  
Street, Garden City, and working at the Egypt Continent Trading  
Co., 8 Sh. Kasr el Nil. Others are: Herrn G. JACKERING and  
OGUS, fnu.

TELECOM WATCH LIST 31 Sep 54

former SS officer capture by Allies during Italian campaign.  
ME representative of arms dealers Fabrice d'Armi Pietro  
Beratta and Terramar (Peter STUDEEMAYER). Latterly also acting  
as representative for HERTEL (qv).

does not list subj under BAISNER or BEISSNER.

SKORZENY is believed to have failed in his efforts to sell Egypt several  
hundred 1942 machine guns smuggled out of Germany. This info confirmed  
by his representative in Cairo, a certain Dr. BEISSNER.

Report states that earlier report (R-154-53) describes relations  
between Subject (who, source states, is now the WEREWOLF repre-  
sentative in Egypt) and the ex-Grand Mufti.

EGYPT  
09-442 C [ ]  
13 October 1951  
File: LINK

CSDB-5925; 1 June 53  
info: 1 Jan - 6 May 53  
CONTROL; TOP SECRET

EGYPTIAN DIRECTORY  
1953

CairoEmbDisp  
#2785, 17 June 1953

R-163-53  
18 May 53  
(Filed as 5-7)

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BEISSNER, Willi

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iden : fnu ~~BEISSNER~~ BEISSNER, qv ? MISC-3  
iden : GUTZER, qv ?

According to ZIPPER rpt, 6 Mar 52 subject, wartime referent for Arabia in Amt VI of RSHA, suddenly left Germany about a year ago when he became involved in blackmarket transactions between Switzerland, Spain and France. Is now in Cairo where is believed to be working for French I.S. Reported to have had good connections within French I.S. in Hamburg and later with the Americans (sic). He speaks excellent French and some English. Is presumably identical with Sturmbahnfuhrer BEISSNER, b. 18 Aug 1911, who was assigned to Amt VI of RSHA from Nov 43 until end of war. Further details are noted briefly in the wartime German Primer.

Memo from

EE/SO/z

4 Apr 52

File: 1.4.5

One BEISSNER (judged possibly identical with subj) has been carrying on negotiations for one HASSET (fnu) (qv) in arranging latter's visit to Italy for the purchase from an Italian firm of a substantial amount of arms for the Egyptian government.

Subj mentioned he had conferred with NAJIB on 2 Oct 52, concerning the arms deal and hoped to conclude it satisfactorily through Spain, if the Americans did not object.

CS-7845;

info: pre-

7 Nov 52

(CIR-600)

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NAME: <b>SEMER, WILLI</b>		Date: <b>9 May 55</b>	
Description:		Source: <b>P/01435</b>	
Information:		File Ref:	
<p>Worked for Freisch (SD) in Feldkirch under a cover name. He was connected with Rupert MAHDL of SD and works in Munich with Robert KRAUS, SD and former SD Amt IV Yugoslav agent.</p> <p>Was with foreign affairs section of NSDAP, then shifted to SD in 1940. Worked for SD in Tunis and maintained liaison with the Grand Mufti. Participated in Wolf-Rahn-Schustel peace negotiations in Milano. Fled U.S. internment camp with Freisch help.</p>			

NAME: <b>BEISSNER, Dr. Willi</b>		Date: <b>15 Feb 55</b>	
Status:		Source: <b>Memo</b>	
Address:		File Ref: <b>159</b>	
Description:			
Misc. Information:			
Career:			
Collected by:			
<p>Name found in Willi Hostil's notebook.</p>			

**BEISSNER, (fmu)**  
b.

RES: Rue Adly Pasha, Cairo  
German; owns the German Egyptian Technical Supplies, Cairo,  
Subj promotes commercial transactions, export and import  
business which are believed to be not always legal.  
EGIA-24828, 27 Aug 57; 240/KISBAER  
EGQA-93198, 2 Oct 57; N/T -- destroyed

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JX 4307  
Jan-Apr 53  
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Subj is business partner of JGA HERTSLET, whose office in Sharif Pasha Street, Cairo, he manages. Subj's wife is his secretary. Subj is close contact of (Hajj) Amin al-HUSAYNI and introduced Otto SKORZENY (qv) to HUSAYNI in mid-January 1953. Subj evidently obtained intervention of ex-Mufti to obtain an entry visa to Egypt for HERTSLET. Subj also said, on behalf of ex-Mufti to have arranged passport and entry formalities for fnu SPRINGER (qv); subj also has been seen from time to time in house of VOSS, (qv).

Is subject identical with Willi BEISSNER?

EGL-W-60

Dr. W. BEISSNER

Subject works with Polish Jew, HERTSLETT, in Egyptian Continental Trading Co. which has dabbled in arms and illicit traffic slightly. Hertslett supplies Eg. passports to Germans who need papers and works with ENGEL in this. Subj has violently Nazi views & is close to ENGEL, VOSS & Kurt RANISH. Probably keeps them informed of activities of Ger Fascists in Argentina and Spain. Subject is probably the representative of Otto SKORZENY in Egypt. *Opportunist.*

NECA-915  
10 Sept 53

SKORZENY was introduced in Cairo by Dr. BEISSNER head of Hertslett's agency there at Sherif Pasha St. Subj is in very close touch with the Mufti and a frequent guest of Dr. Wilhelm VOSS.

EGNA 2194  
Encl. C  
15 June 53

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BEISSNER, Dr. (Wein. b.) card #2 GER 30

EGYPT

Peter KUBAINSKY, in interrogation, claims that BEISSNER is chief of the German Neo Fascist neutralist Third Force in Cairo. BEISSNER is in touch with an Arab named TREEKI (phonetic) or TRIKI who owns a shop called Granada. Both of them work with the Grand Mufti and with a German called METZ.

R 154 53  
Army Attache  
Cairo  
5 May 53

Economic Section of the Embassy has produced certain information on subj and HERTSLETT's firm, which is named the EGYPTIAN CONTINENTAL TRADING CO.. (qv).

This indicates the firm's reputation is bad, is black-listed by German Embassy and is not recommended as agents.

At one time backed by Abbas HALIM (now interned)

NECA 1153; 27  
Nov  
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